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JSU family mourns loss



JSUNews

The Jacksonville State University family today is mourning the loss of Maucler Charles, a 21-year-old international student and biology major from Ouanaminthe, Haiti. Charles drowned in a tragic accident on Saturday, Sept. 8, during an annual International House retreat to Horns Creek Resort on the Ocoee River near Cleveland, Tenn.

Charles was beginning his second year in the International House and had distinguished himself with a 3.5 GPA. He was also an excellent soccer player and house member, according to Dr. John Ketterer, director of the International House Program, and was very well loved among his fellow students. The university has begun grief counseling to help the many students in the program who Dr. Ketterer said are “shattered by the experience” of losing their friend and fellow housemate.

The Ocoee trip is a longstanding tradition for the International House Program. According to Dr. Ketterer, the group arrived at the Horns Creek Resort at noon Saturday and the students had lunch before dividing up into groups. Some immediately went to the high ropes and zipline course and others proceeded to the paintball course. Just as they finished their courses, it began to rain. As they proceeded back to the cabin,

some of the students elected to walk around the small pond at Horns Creek, some decided to swim across, and a few, including Charles, chose to cross by boat. As they proceeded across the pond, which Dr. Ketterer described as being no more than 200 feet across, the boat tipped. Charles did not know how to swim.

When Charles did not surface, the students immediately formed a line and began to search for him. According to Dr. Ketterer, 911 was called within 5-6 minutes and emergency personnel arrived within 10. The incident occurred at 3:15 EDT.

The deputy medical examiner of Polk County ruled the drowning to be an accident.

The remainder of the group returned to Jacksonville on Saturday evening, arriving on campus at around 9:30 CDT. Grief counselors were on hand to begin counseling, which is expected to continue in the weeks ahead.

A public visitation will be Thursday, Sept. 13 at K.L. Brown Funeral Home. Viewing will begin at 7 p.m. and Father Jim Macy of St. Charles Borromeo Church in Jacksonville will conduct a short prayer ceremony at 7:30 p.m.

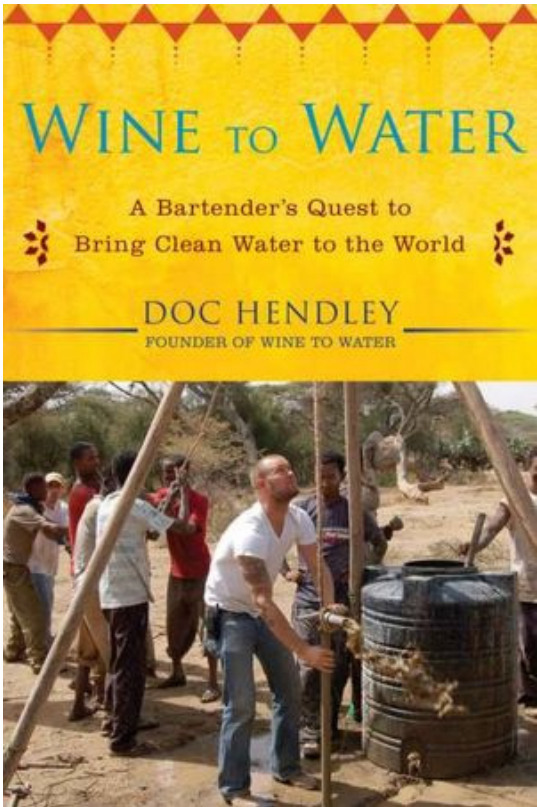
Marie Claire Charles, Charles’ sister, will represent the family at this service.

The tentative date for Charles’ funeral in Haiti has been set for Saturday, September 22.

Wine to Water Founder Doc Hendley Visits JSU

Hendley’s book was chosen for JSU’s Summer Reading Program, a program designed “to unite the freshman class and to promote thought and action on a variety of relevant issues by reading a common text prior to beginning the first semester of college.”

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Teen marijuana use causes mental deficit

Danielle Muoio
Duke U. via UWIRE

A nearly four decade study led by Duke U. researchers holds harrowing implications for adolescent marijuana users.

The study followed more than 1,000 people from the time they were born and found that individuals who used marijuana regularly in early adolescence suffered on average an eight point IQ decline by the time they reached age 38. Not only is this drop in IQ irreversible, but it is enough to knock a person of average intelligence from the 50th percentile to the 29th percentile.

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Delta Week 2012 brings fun, awareness

Kyrsten Taylor
Staff Writer

Delta Sigma Theta hosted a carnival in front of the TMB last Thursday, where students enjoyed free food, snow cones, a free DJ and games such as musical chairs.

The event was one of many activities presented for the 2012 Delta Week. This year’s theme was Soul Circus Divas, and each day was dedicated to enlightening students about current events. From information about the upcoming presidential election to military awareness, nothing was out of reach.

“This whole week

has gone better than we ever hoped for. It’s gone beyond our wildest dreams,” says Ninma Sheshi, a graduate of the Kappa Beta Chapter.

Monday was dedicated to giving monetary advice. A financial forum provided tips on finance and budgeting.

The Mr. Debonair pageant took place Tuesday, in which the Delta Sigma Thetas sought to emphasize strong men on the JSU campus. They also enlisted the help of massage therapists to pamper girls with free massages.

Wednesday focused on the upcoming election, and members registered students to vote and in-

formed students on all candidates.

A powder puff football game played out Friday. The sorority partnered with various middle

schools to do community service projects on Saturday. These included writing letters to current

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Kyrsten Taylor/THE CHANTICLEER

Participants in Delta Sigma Theta’s Carnival last Thursday take part in a game of musical chairs. The event was part of Delta Week 2012.

TV24 makes its move

Zach Tyler
Staff Writer

TV-24 WJXS is no longer based in Jacksonville State University’s broadcast studio in Self Hall.

Carl Brady, host of “East Alabama Today,” said during the Aug. 30 evening broadcast, “We will be completing our transition to our new state-of-the-art digital studio in Oxford this Friday morning at 12 a.m.”

The commercial broadcasting company serves seven east Ala. counties and carries across 12 cable systems. They had rented the studio from JSU since 2002.

Current JSU student and TV-24 associate producer Victoria Reaves said there are two reasons why the broadcasting company decided to move.

“The equipment in the old studio was a little outdated,” said Reaves.

The television station’s new studio in Oxford is ‘state-of-the-art’ and will allow TV-24 to broadcast

digitally — resulting in a much higher quality of signal.

“Also, it’s really important for TV-24 to establish an identity away from JSU,” she said.

Because it started on campus, people tend to think of TV-24 as ‘that JSU television station.’

“The move was necessary in order to grow as a news station,” said Reaves.

Dr. Patrick McGrail, professor of the broadcast journalism sequence in Self Hall, said having TV-24 located just a few doors down was a great opportunity for students.

Over the decade at JSU, many broadcast journalism students completed internships with the local television station.

Some even gained employment post-graduation. Former student Gerhard Mathangani is now the station’s sports anchor.

“TV-24 has employed at least 10 of my students over the last few years in a variety of positions — from sitting in the anchor’s chair

to field reporting and production,” said McGrail.

According to him, it was a beneficial relationship for both JSU and the television station. The university wants to see its graduates find work, and TV-24 wants employees experienced in broadcasting.

There was, however, one downside to the arrangement.

“While we could still technically use the studio when they weren’t broadcasting, it was nearly impossible. Sometimes they would work 12-hour days,” said McGrail.

Now that the station is gone, he plans to make full use of the larger studio for JSU programming. While it isn’t technologically up-to-date by commercial standards, it’s still a big improvement over the space Dr. McGrail is currently using.

“Classes like “Intro to TV Production” and “Electronic Broadcasting News” will finally get the chance to use green-screen technology,” he said.



When asked if JSU’s connection with the broadcasting company will be affected by the move, McGrail doesn’t think so.

“We’re a very hands-on department here. Our students know how to broadcast, they’re flexible and they don’t ask much in salary,” he said. “It makes sense for TV-24 to take advantage of that.”

Furthermore, JSU’s Department of Communication will do everything it can to make sure the working relationship between it and TV-24 WJXS continues, according to McGrail.

Reaves doesn’t think things will change, either.

“TV-24 is always open for students who want experience in the field,” she said.

From the Wire

JSU Graduate Studies to host September 29 Open House

Graduate Studies Open House will be Saturday, Sept. 29 from 9 a.m. till noon in Room 213 Stephenson Hall. Students will have the opportunity to speak to graduate faculty members about each of the graduate programs JSU has to offer.

The College of Graduate Studies offers nine different degrees with thirty majors at the master’s level, the post-master’s Educational Specialist degree and a doctoral degree with a major in emergency management.

Reserve a study room at the Library

The newly renovated group study room on the fourth floor of the Houston Cole Library is now open to JSU students. It comes equipped with a big screen TV, a computer and other facilities.

Reservations may be made by phone to 256-782-5758; in person at the Circulation Desk; or by using the online Group Study Room Request Form on the Library’s web site. No more than 8 persons per group, please.

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Pageant highlights male role models

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Eleven young men from the JSU campus participated in a scholarship-based pageant last Tuesday night, hosted by the Kappa Beta Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. Contestants walked the stage of the Leone Cole Auditorium modeling a series of sportswear, formal wear and casual clothing for a chance to earn an undisclosed amount in scholarships.

“I’m overwhelmed,” said contestant Darrick English. “I look at this as a privilege.”

Many of the men viewed the pageant as an opportunity to bring about self-empowerment, as well as appreciation for the value of one’s self.

“This is definitely a confidence builder,” said contestant Joshua Garret.

University photographer Kendal Westbrooks explained that something of this caliber is a positive and cherished asset to one’s life record and legacy.

“Being a part of this in the long run will help me,” said the Marietta, Ga. native. “This will be another good thing that I can say I’ve done.”

The majority of men were chosen through recommendations from the sorority’s chapter, as well as other individuals from the university. They received further consideration through their involvement on



Contestants Calvin Nelms (Mr. Debonair), John Lesley (Mr. Crimson), Justin Garth Johnson (Mr. Cream), Jade Wiles (People’s Choice), Darrick English, Matthew McKay, Samuel E. Pugh, Joshua Garret, Kendal Westbrooks, Mark-Anthony Carter and Cortez Etchison.

campus and ability to be a role model for other males.

The local chapter of the historically black sorority mentioned that it has not hosted an event of this nature since 2009. Its last reigning debonair, 20-year-old Columbiana, Ala. native Josh Jones, said it’s great to see the affair revitalized.

“I think it’s a beautiful thing,” he said. “There are a lot of fine young gentlemen to represent this university.”

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“Those who started to use cannabis a lot between 16 and 18 were the kids who experienced a lot of the IQ decline,” Avshalom Caspi, an Edward M. Arnett professor of psychology and neuroscience and co-author of the study, said. “Even among people who had quit...if they started very early and used cannabis for many years, their neurological test scores didn’t seem to rebound.”

An IQ drop of eight points has a variety of long-term ramifications for individuals. Not only does IQ influence college admission and job placement, but it can even have an effect on mortality, said Madeline Meier, a post-doctoral researcher and lead author of the study.

The findings only pertain to individuals who were early onset and dependent users. Those who started using marijuana before turning 18 were categorized as early-onset users, and those who continued using even when there were significant health or social consequences were labeled dependent users.

As a result, the findings only pertain to a small segment of the population. Only five percent of the individuals studied were considered early-onset and dependent users and suffered from a significant drop in IQ.

“Some people may look at these findings and say, ‘Well, we knew that all along, we knew stoners and what they were like

in high school,” Caspi said. “But the findings are more nuanced than that because they suggest we must really pay attention to sensitive periods in development where substance use may have more harmful effects than it does in other points in development.”

Although people generally accept that cigarettes are not good for you, many will maintain that marijuana is not harmful—an idea that has been propelled by the medical marijuana movement. The findings reverse any perception that marijuana is completely harmless, Meier said.

But the research could also be used to support marijuana use, Caspi said.

“A lot of people have believed for a long time that

cannabis really isn’t harmful and is a wonderful recreation drug,” he said. “There is evidence for that [argument] as well, since many people in our research have smoked cannabis on and off in their lives without any adverse effects on their function.”

Regardless of how the study is ultimately interpreted, the findings highlight that a heavy reliance on drugs during adolescence can haunt an individual far into the future.

“Certain maturational changes occur in the brain from age 13 to up until the early twenties and adolescents who use cannabis are interrupting these critical brain changes,” she said. “To anybody who is an adolescent whose brain is still developing, which can be up to the early

twenties, marijuana is not harmless.”

Thomas Szigethy, associate dean and director of the Duke Student Wellness Center, wrote in an email Wednesday that marijuana is the second most heavily used substance on campus, after alcohol. Although some students think pot is less dangerous than alcohol, it can still adversely affect their academic and social lives.

“Many more people smoking pot lose motivation,” Szigethy said. “Ultimately, people need to assess why they are using a substance—what are they avoiding [and] why can they not accomplish the same positive feeling about life without using [this] substance?”

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active members in the military.

Delta Sigma Theta was founded in 1913, and sought to be a public service organization that confronted the challenges of African Americans and all Americans in general. The group was chartered

at JSU in 1973, and were the first predominantly African American sorority at JSU.

The many activities of Delta Week were inspired by the sorority’s Five-Point Program Thrust of Economic Development, Educational Development, International

al Awareness and Involvement, Physical and Mental Health and Political Awareness and Involvement.

For more information about Delta Sigma Theta or other campus sororities, contact the Office of Student Life at 256-782-5491.

Hendley turns wine to water



Sierra Tillman
Senior Staff Writer

The Leone Cole Auditorium was full of students ranging from freshmen to seniors, and even Cocky this Tuesday. They were all there to hear 2009 CNN Hero Doc Hendley.

At first glance, Hendley just looks like an average guy, in jeans, t-shirt, and right arm covered in tattoos. However, there is much more than meets the eye. Although Hendley says that he came from a family of “more than average” people, he claims that he was never really more than average.

He never thought he did one thing better than anyone else and just thought that he would just blend in with the rest of the world.

Previously a bartender and musician, now an author and speaker, Doc Hendley is the founder of Wine to Water, an organization that is devoted to providing clean water to people around the world.

On center stage, Doc spoke about his life as a whole, where he came from and where he has been. Speaking for a little more than an hour, he laid out important basic facts. For instance, the top four killers in the world are Tuberculosis, Malaria, HIV/AIDS and, in the number one spot, is water.

There are 1.1 billion people in the world that don’t have access to clean water. In some cases there are children that have to walk up to four hours to go fetch it. First traveling in 2004 to Darfur, Sudan, Hendley

has been to India, South Africa, Cambodia, Kenya and more.

Today he has projects in nine different countries and has saved countless lives with Wine to Water. One thing that is visible with Hendley is his passion and his human nature.

JSU’s summer reading program chose to unite this year’s freshman class with the inspirations of Wine to Water. It’s all part of JSU’s goal to spark a conversation and ultimately show that with heart and perseverance anyone can accomplish anything. Hendley was not someone who went to college and knew what he wanted to do, and that’s what makes him relatable to many students.

He told them, “The key is to surround yourself with people who push you more

than you push yourself. I just decided to treat everyone I met like people. That was the problem: no one ever treated them like humans. No one cared.”

One freshman stated, “I think it’s pretty cool to read a book, knowing it’s all fact, and then to meet the guy that wrote it. Amazing.”

Hendley’s book *Wine to Water* is a chronological account of the encounters of the world, including tribal warfare and natural disasters. The book also features his highs and lows of learning his passion for helping.

At the end of Tuesday night’s event, President Meehan said, “I hope my students find passion for life. I hope they find what give them drive to succeed in life.”

Sierra Tillman/THE CHANTICLEER

ON RIGHT: Hendley signs copies of his book *Wine to Water* for students after speaking at the Leone Cole Auditorium Tuesday night. *Wine to Water* was assigned summer reading for the 2012 freshmen class.



Kara Coleman/THE CHANTICLEER

ABOVE: More than 100 JSU students participated Tuesday afternoon in a first-time experiment conducted by Doc Hendley. Students were separated into groups of 13 and each had to assemble a water filter. The filters will be used in Hendley’s philanthropic efforts across the world.

ON LEFT: Freshman Stephanie Connell poses with Hendley after participating in the water filtration experiment on Tuesday afternoon.



Wednesday Workshop gets students back on track

Meredith Speciale
Staff Writer

At last week’s Wednesday Workshop, Michelle Green told all students in attendance, “I cannot stress how important is to check your e-mail! “We lose lots of students because they don’t know about deadlines, and their classes get dropped.”

Along with this helpful information, Green provided students with a whole presentation full of ways to get their semester started right. Green is the coordinator for JSU’s Wednesday Workshops, which are meetings designed to help students who are new to college, or who may be confused about what to major in. The Academic Advisement Office is responsible for putting together these workshops. The first meeting of this semester was called, “Getting Back on Track: How Do I Start the Semester on the Right Track?”

Some objectives of Wednesday’s meeting were to help students understand the importance of using time wisely, the use of academic advisors, choosing the right major, and the importance of a good academic standing.

“You should study more important subjects that need more work first and foremost,” Green explained. She also talked about the importance of setting priorities, making to-do lists, knowing when one studies most

effectively, and most importantly, being realistic about goals and not getting stressed out.

Green explained how most of the information needed concerning graduation requirements, financial aid, deadlines, and anything else pertaining to the university can be found through the search bar on the homepage of JSU’s website.

She also emphasized how important it is to understand JSU’s completion rate. Students must complete 2/3 of the total credit hours attempted. The completion rate/pace of progression is calculated by dividing the overall earned hours by the overall credit hours attempted. New students may not understand the differences between passing a class and getting the grade of No Credit (NC) or Incomplete (I). If a student is doing badly in a class, it is a better idea to drop the class completely, rather than getting one of the above grades and hurting their completion rate.

Throughout the meeting, Green continuously emphasized how important it is for students to check their JSU e-mail. E-mail and completion rate are how JSU loses most students. It is also extremely important for students to know deadlines for payments.

Green will hold three more workshops this semester. All meetings are from 4:30-5:30 in room 332 in Martin Hall. The next meeting is on October 3rd, and it will cover registration information about creating a balanced spring schedule.

Arts & Entertainment



Did you see the Shia LaBeouf, Tom Hardy bootlegging film *Lawless* last weekend?

Box Office Report: Worst Weekend In Over a Decade

Grady Smith
EW.com

Chances are, you weren’t at the movies last weekend. Not a single film at the box office reached \$10 million.

The Top 12 films grossed a depressingly low \$51.9 million — the worst Top 12 total since Sept. 5-7, 2008, when Nicolas Cage flop Bangkok Dangerous led the chart.

Even more distressingly, this weekend marked the lowest cumulative ticket sales in over a decade. The last frame to notch worse overall ticket sales was Sept. 21-23, 2001 — two weekends after the 9/11 attacks — when only one new wide release entered theaters: Mariah Carey’s infamous bomb Glitter.

Lionsgate’s \$14 million horror entry The Possession once again topped the chart with \$9.5 million. The film, which earned a “B” CinemaScore grade last week, enjoyed a better than expected hold.

If you’re not a fan of demonic tales like The Possession, prepare yourself to keep seeing them for a long while at the box office.

In second place, The Weinstein Company’s moonshine-drenched crime drama Lawless dropped 40 percent and took in an additional \$6 million in its second weekend. The period piece, which stars Shia LaBeouf, Tom Hardy, and Jessica Chastain, has garnered \$23.5 million after 12 days. Weinstein has yet to confirm a budget for the film.

CBS Films’ The Words couple Bradley Cooper and Zoe Saldana, started its run in third place with just \$5 million from just over 2,000 theaters. Even by CBS Films standards, that is very low.

the age of 25, issued the title a “B” CinemaScore

Two holdovers rounded out the Top 5. In fourth, Li-

onsgate’s The Expendables 2 dipped 47 percent to \$4.7 million, giving the action flick \$75.4 million after four weekends. In fifth, Universal’s The Bourne Legacy dropped 44 percent to \$4 million, lifting the film’s total past the \$100 million mark to \$103.7 million. At this point, it’s clear that the \$125 million sequel/reboot won’t be able to match the total of the original Bourne Identity, which found \$121 million in 2002.

1. The Possession -- \$9.5 million
2. Lawless -- \$6.0 million
3. The Words -- \$5.0 million
4. The Expendables 2 -- \$4.7 million
5. The Bourne Legacy -- \$4.0 million

Elsewhere on the chart, Summit’s new wide release The Cold Light of Day opened in 13th place with a truly dismal \$1.8 million. Audiences issued the thriller a “D+” CinemaScore grade. Here’s hoping the film’s star, Henry Cavill, fares better as Superman in 2013’s Man of Steel.

And finally, in milestone news, after a \$3.3 million weekend, conservative documentary 2016: Obama’s America became the second highest grossing political documentary of all time. The film, which has taken in \$26.1 million so far, still trails Fahrenheit 9/11 (\$119.2 million), but its total is remarkable for a documentary.

Speculators hope that colder weather and fall hits boost sales in the upcoming months.

Jacksonville Opera Theatre Presents *The Fisher, the Fish and the Wife*

JSUNEWS

Jacksonville Opera Theatre kicks off its season with a children’s opera, *The Fisher, the Fish and the Wife* by Bruce Trinkley.

The modern retelling of the classic Grimm Brothers fairy tale is specifically designed to bring opera to children, although all ages will enjoy the music, the creativity of the singers and the visual artistry of the stage.

Dr. Nathan Wight, director of the opera, again brings the magic of an age-old fairy tale to life with colorful sets, costumes and lighting, combined with plenty of imagination that will intrigue the child in all of us.

The plot begins with a fisherman catching a magical flounder, who grants him seven wishes. The fisherman is perfectly content as he is, but his wife finds plenty of things to wish for.

She wishes her husband and herself into a nicer house, and then upgrades that house into a McMansion. Not yet content, the wife makes a wish to become Governor and then, President of the



United States.

Still not satisfied, she wishes herself into becoming Pope! But – when she wishes for the power of God, events take a surprising turn ...

Come see what happens ...

The Fisher, The Fish and The Wife will be presented in the Performance Center of Mason Hall, on the campus of Jacksonville State University.

Performances are Sept. 14 at 7 p.m., Sept. 15 at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. and Sept. 16 at 3 p.m.

Tickets are \$2 for students and \$5 for adults and can be purchased on the JOT website, www.jacksonvilleopera.org.

Book Review: *Fifty Shades of Grey*

Maci Hughes
Staff Writer

Chick-lit style writing, inexhaustible S&M scenes, and pink frosting romance run rampant across the pages of E.L. James’ *Fifty Shades of Grey*. The book is classified as erotic fiction with the word “erotic” used in the loosest form. If erotic passages are meant to provoke a nearly impossible mishmash of skepticism, squirming, and inadvertent hilarity then, by all means, *Fifty Shades of Grey* is the most erotic novel ever written. Frankly, prior to reading this book, I was unaware that it was at all possible to wince, chuckle, and grind my teeth in the same instance, but be sure that it is.

With a name plucked straight from a sugarplum dream world gone raunchy, Anastasia Steele is the 21-year old narrator who is said to have never before experienced sex or even sexual desire - that is, until she meets wealthy and suave Christian Grey. Steele is inadvertently swept off her feet by Grey and thrust into a world of bondage, whips, and chains. A world dominated by the underlying theme of his desperate need for power and control.

Christian Grey is a man of extreme extravagance, power and an insatiable appetite for dominating women. Grey is self-described as “fifty shades of messed up” (edited for offensive content). This is a mild description of his domineering persona that has resulted from an atrocious childhood and a long-standing, inappropriate affair.

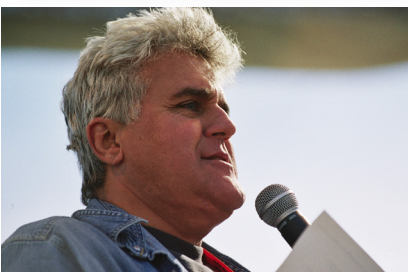
Ana, as Anastasia most commonly refers to herself, is depicted as a naïve, submissive young woman who is lacking in the area of sexual experiences. This lack of depth into the basic human condition is a telling aspect of the book. What college pubescent has never experienced sexual desire? Or, if they haven’t, it’s likely a pervasive aspect of their personality and sexuality, not something that could be miraculously quelled by meeting a man like Grey.

Typically, dysfunctional myths young girls are so prone to believe are abundant throughout the novel. Perhaps the most annoying is the ever present “I can change him” myth. Even worse than that is the “If I do whatever he wants, he’ll surely love me,” myth that makes a peek-a-boo appearance in nearly every chapter. The frequent usage of these myths is designed to draw in the female audience, as these feelings are somewhat universal today.

Perhaps the only negative aspect of the novel is that the plot mirrors that of the *Twilight* Saga. *Fifty Shades* can accurately be described as Edward and Bella meet Rihanna’s S&M.

Despite rumors of an offensively sexual plot, a truly gratifying story is hidden behind the whips, chains, and floggers wielded by the dominant Christian Grey. The first in a series of three books, *Fifty Shades of Grey* tops the list as a must-read for anyone daring enough to take it on.

-This is the first installment in the “Fifty Shades” trilogy. Check back next week for my review of the second book in the series, *Fifty Shades Darker*.



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Leno takes 50 percent pay cut to reduce *Tonight Show* layoffs

CNN Wire

Jay Leno took one for the team, in the form of a \$15 million pay cut, to protect the staff of NBC’s “The Tonight Show” from further cuts. An NBC Universal representative confirmed Friday that the host took a 50% pay reduction. The representative also confirmed that Leno extended his contract until September 2014. A source with direct knowledge of the situation told CNN last month that 20 to 25 employees of “The Tonight Show” were let go and that Leno made the salary concession to prevent even more staff reductions. According to the source, the layoffs were part of a plan to adjust the show’s expenses to be more in line with typical late-night programming as opposed to prime-time fare. Leno replaced the legendary Johnny Carson as host of “The Tonight Show” in 1992, a job he held for 17 years before he left in 2009 to helm “The Jay Leno Show” with a 10 p.m. start time. But a few months later, in January 2010, NBC announced that the comedian would return to the 11:35 p.m. time slot. That move ultimately led to fellow talk show host Conan O’Brien’s departure from the network. O’Brien, who had taken over “The Tonight Show,” now hosts the show “Conan” on TBS, which, like CNN, is a division of Time Warner.



TOP TEN

- Week of Sept. 15, 2012 -

1. ————— Whistle - Flo Rida
2. — We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together - Taylor Swift
3. — Lights - Ellie Goulding
4. ————— Some Nights - fun.
5. — One More Night - Maroon 5
6. ————— Everybody Talks - Neon Trees
7. — Wide Awake - Katy Perry
8. — Good Time - Owl City & Carly Rae Jepsen
9. — As Long As You Love Me - Justin Bieber Feat. Big Sean
10. — Call Me Maybe - Carly Rae Jepsen

Music Review: Two Door Cinema Club - *Beacon*

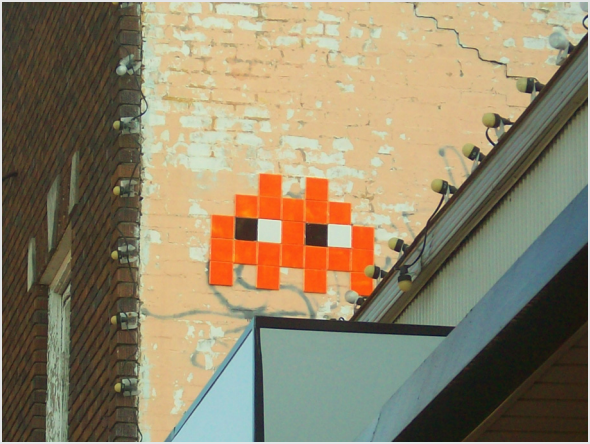
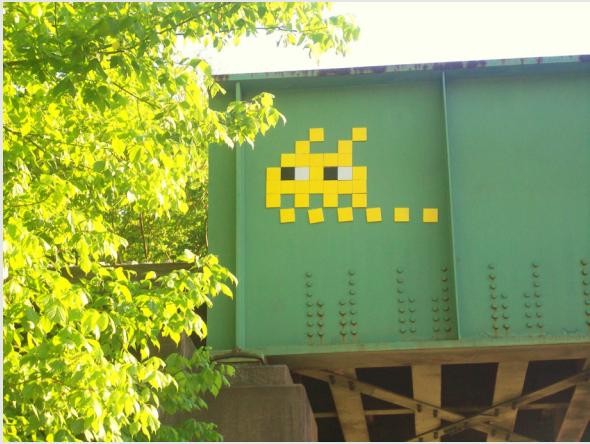
Andrew Holderfield
A&E Editor

If you aren’t already familiar with Northern Ireland’s Two Door Cinema Club, you’re in luck. Their sophomore full-length, *Beacon*, encapsulates everything great about this band. Walls of sound built from stone cold grooves drip with shimmering guitars. Fans of Phoenix, This Town Needs Guns and The Bravery will feel sonically at home with these guys. Granted, *Beacon* may lack a little bit of the rawness of their 2010 debut, *Tourist History*, but this is of little concern to even the most discerning ears. Strong songwriting and classy hooks keep *Beacon* well within classic Two Door Cinema Club territory, and what they might have lost in energy, they made up for by giving us a fuller, all-around better sounding album.

Recorded in LA in early May, it’s hard not to wonder if some of the sunniness of their surroundings crept into the tracks. This album is much brighter and more cheerful than *Tourist History*, which was already pretty damn cheerful. Some tracks even cross the line into downright feel-good pop. Fans of the group will immediately notice that this album is much more synth-heavy than their previous release. The other instruments still shine, but the synth is instantly more prominent, and that’s OK. Songs like ‘Sleep Alone’ and ‘The World is Watching’ would lack quite a bit of their pizzazz if one were to take out those catchy synth hooks. Clocking in at only 40 minutes, *Beacon* can feel a little short, and a few of the tracks do get a little



homogenous, but to say that this is a strong album would be an understatement. You might not be sure which song the part you’re humming came from, but I guarantee you’ll be humming it all day. To make a long review short, this is a second great album from one great band that is finally gaining some of the worldwide recognition that they deserve. *Beacon* might not be anything different from what Two Door Cinema Club has offered us before, but if it isn’t broken, I can’t ask them to fix it. If you like your indie-pop with a pinch of dance mixed in, or if you’re just a fan of stellar songwriting and brave guitar work, then *Beacon* is absolutely an album you need to check out.



Kara Coleman/THE CHANTICLEER

Street art welcome addition to Gadsden

Kara Coleman
Editor-in-Chief

Aliens have landed in Gadsden, Alabama! This may sound like the headline from a supermarket tabloid, but it’s not. It’s just describing street art that has appeared in the town over the past year. The graffiti depicts 8-bit aliens inspired by the 1978 Atari arcade game *Space Invaders*, and has appeared in at least five locations in Gadsden. The style is similar to that of the French street artist known as *Invader*. *Invader*’s work can be seen in over sixty-five cities worldwide, and is one of the most iconic graffiti signatures in the world. The local artist who imitates *Invader*’s mosaic style began placing his work around Gadsden over a year ago. The aliens have been spotted on a bridge, a vacant building downtown, and even on a street sign. Gadsden resident Dustin Belyeu says that he is always looking for a new one to pop up. “There are

two on [Lookout] Mountain, one on George Wallace Drive, one on Broad Street, and one close to Gadsden City High School on an old gas station,” he explains. As is evidenced by conversations and Facebook posts, it’s hard to find anyone with anything negative to say about the invasion. Many area residents seem to find the artwork a cheerful addition to the town rather than a nuisance. “I like them because they aren’t grotesque in any way,” according to local Emily Thomas. “I think it adds character to our small artsy town.” Rumors abound to the actual identity of the artist, ironically fueled by multiple people clumsily claiming to be responsible via Facebook. The Gadsden Police Department would like to remind our readers that unauthorized street art is still a serious offense in not only Gadsden, but also most metropolitan areas. Where will the spunky little aliens land next? One can only wonder...

R.E.M. to Fox News: “Stop using our song!”

Josh Stillman
EW.com

Artists as diverse as K’Naan and Twisted Sister’s Dee Snider have all taken exception to the Romney campaign’s use of their music without authorization. Now R.E.M. has a dog in the fight: the band issued a cease-and-desist to Fox News after the network used their 1991 hit “Losing My Religion” in its coverage of the Democratic National Convention.

Lead singer Michael Stipe said in a statement, “We have little or no respect for their puff adder brand of reportage. Our music does not belong there.” That’s a bit more succinct than Rage Against the Machine’s Tom Morello was when he told off Paul Ryan, but it’s clear enough. “FOX News Channel’s use of an R.E.M. song during Thursday’s edition of Fox & Friends was in full accordance with its license agreements with all appropriate

parties. Nevertheless, we’re always flattered to have this much attention for a song selection and we hope R.E.M. was able to satisfy their publicity fix,” A representative for Fox News responded. Bands asking political figures not to use their songs have historical precedent. Bruce Springsteen famously asked Ronald Reagan not to use his hit “Born In The USA” at GOP campaign rallies.

Tune In For The Best College Radio!

Op/Ed

In order to win, you have to play

Zach Tyler
Staff Writer

The Democratic National Convention took place this past week in Charlotte, N.C.. Just like the GOP’s convention the week before, it dominated the news. That was thanks in part to moving and unexpected speeches from several guest speakers, like First Lady Michelle Obama and former President Bill Clinton.

The First Lady’s speech was touching — she talked about Obama’s upbringing “by a single mother who struggled to pay the bills, and by grandparents who stepped in when she needed help.”

She did a great job of making her husband seem, not only relatable to the everyman, but also the most desirable candidate for the Presidency out there. Who wouldn’t want to elect the guy “who started his career by turning down high paying jobs and instead working in struggling neighborhoods” where people really needed him?

If Mrs. Obama’s speech was touching, Clinton’s was rousing. The former President went above and beyond the call of duty in his address of the convention’s audience with a brilliant defense of Obama’s actions in regard to healthcare reform.

President Barack Obama formally accepted the Democratic Party’s nomination for President on Sept. 6, the last day of the convention. His more than 40-minute long acceptance speech elicited a record-breaking 52,757 tweets per minute on Twitter.

However, criticism of that speech began almost immediately after he left the podium, which wasn’t surprising — pundits and talking heads are never satisfied. What was surprising is that some of the most vocal critics of the President weren’t conservative talk-show hosts, but progressive Democrats.

Michael Tomasky, editor-in-chief of the liberal journal *Democracy* and a special correspondent for *The Daily Beast*, said that Obama had given a “dull and pe-

destrian speech tonight.” “Nothing in this speech was developed, nothing given hard thought, nothing that built to a great moment,” he wrote. “He’s going to have to do much better than this.”

Critics at the political news site Politico weren’t impressed, either.

“Obama fell flat,” reads the headline of an article by Jonathon Martin and Jonathon Allen. They pointed out that while



Obama claimed to be disdainful of the petty squabbles of this election in his speech, he didn’t miss an opportunity to take several pot-shots at Romney.

Here’s the deal, though. Critics can write and say what-

ever they want about the President’s speech. The reality is that he’s just playing the game. It’s sad, but it’s true—the political system here in America has become so broken and self-defeating that that’s all it really is: a game.

And in order to win this game, Obama has to play a little dirty. He’s got to appeal to the voters who aren’t as interested in the political convictions of each candidate so much as how they look and sound on television. This is what it all comes down to.

“Over the next few years, big decisions will be made in Washington, on jobs, the economy; taxes and deficits; energy, education; war and peace, decisions that will have a huge impact on our lives and our children’s lives for decades to come,” said the president.

“And on every issue, the choice you face won’t be just between two candidates or two parties. It will be a choice between two different paths for America,” he continued.

Romney and Ryan’s vision for America’s path into the future isn’t one that will work. Not for the baby-boomers, not for generation X-ers, not for the middle-class and not for us or our children to come.

Hasta La Vista! Advice for the Newly Liberated

Now that the glamour of living on my own has worn off, I’m completely stressed out! I’m still juggling classes like before, but now I buy my own groceries, the bathroom doesn’t get cleaned and the laundry doesn’t get done and dinner isn’t made unless I do these things myself. How can this be a fun time, rather than a stressful experience that makes me want to pull my hair out?

— Stressed in 3B

Dear Stressed,

Although these first few weeks have been crazy, things should be settling down now into some sort of routine. Build upon this and come up with a schedule. It doesn’t have to be airtight— in fact, wiggle room is recommended.

When living at home, you (or perhaps your parent) might’ve done laundry on a Saturday, so stick with that. But now you’re washing your towels, as well, so why not tackle them on Wednesday? Balance it out.

If you’re a neat freak, try to do one of two chores per day, so you’re not spending weekends cleaning (or stressing about the fact that you’re NOT cleaning). Others might decide on Saturday morning as their go-to time to do all household chores. To each his own.

Here’s an important one: Set aside blocks of time each week for study hours. Adopting regular hours — knowing that these will be altered depending on exams, research papers, etc.— will keep you academically on track. Make sure to plan more time than usually needed. Bonus: many study sessions will feel like getting out of class early!

Last but not least, go ahead and start meal planning — a beneficial skill you’ll use for the rest of your life. Check out the many web sites that have tips on meal planning (in other words, Pinterest), then take a few minutes before each shopping trip.

So take these three tips, stop wiggin’ out and enjoy yourself. And stop pulling at your hair. Think you’re stressed now? Wait ’til that first bald spot shows up.

Letter from the Editor

If someone asked you what you know about the Constitution or what it means to you, what would you say?

That it has 27 amendments and was signed in Philadelphia in 1787? That it guarantees your right to bear arms, or protects your freedoms of speech and religion?

But did you know that the U.S. Constitution is the oldest written constitution of any major world government? At 4,400 words, it’s also the shortest.

How about that the Constitution doesn’t mention requirements a person needs to vote in an election? Or that the word “democracy” is never used in the document?

And what about Thomas Jefferson, who authored the Declaration of Independence? You won’t find his signature on the Constitution; he was serving as U.S. minister to France during the Constitutional Convention.

Each year, Sept. 17 marks Constitution Day in the United States, commemorating the day our Founding Fathers signed this historic document. This Constitution Day, you can come to the Leone Cole Auditorium from 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. to hear Professor Bryan Fair with the University of Alabama Law School and Mr. Marc Ayers with the Bradley Arant Boult Cummings law firm.

They will be speaking on what the Constitution means and why it is still relevant 225 years after being signed.

One more interesting fact I’d like to share with you: Did you know that there was some debate about what the title of the President should be? The Senate originally suggested that his title be “His Highness the President of the United States of America and Protector of Their Liberties”.

Now that’s a mouthful!

And as always, feel free to sound off on our Chanticleer Facebook page. We’d love to hear what the Constitution means to you!

Kara Coleman
Editor-in-Chief
The Chanticleer



How will you vote on Sept. 18?

Wait! We need to vote on Sept. 18?

Yes, the state of Ala. will have the opportunity to vote on an amendment to our state constitution on Sept. 18.

I challenge our student population to be educated on the issue and to vote. The state seems fairly divided over the passage, so I will endeavor to present you with a neutral and informative view of the proposed amendment, as well as arguments from both sides.

I find it absolutely necessary that the students of our institution be able to make their own judgments and conclusions when casting a vote on an issue this important.

The proposed measure allows for the annual transfer of \$145.8 million dollars from the Alabama Trust Fund to the State General Fund for the following three years covering shortages in funding the State’s General Fund, specifically in areas such as Medicaid. The measure totals \$437.4 million dollars in all to be removed from the Alabama Trust Fund with no structured provisions within the language of the amendment to return the funds at a later time.

If the measure should fail, the state will not have a balanced budget for the 2013 fiscal year beginning Oct. 1. There is much speculation as to whether the Governor will call a special session of the state legislature to address the budget or whether a cut in the funding of Medicaid and our state prisons will occur if the amendment fails.

Others, such as the Partnership for Higher Education, Advocates for Alabama’s Public Universities and the Alabama Educators Asso-

ciation legitimately fear that the State Legislator’s will look to the Education Trust Fund for cuts to balance the State Budget should the amendment fail.

For this reason these groups have strongly recommended a “yes” vote on the amendment. On the opposite side of the issue, extreme conservative groups such as the Alabama Tea Party oppose the passage of the amendment as they see it as weak fiscal policy, claiming that it is a means for the legislators to provide a short-term solution to a long-term problem in state fiscal policy.

They are joined by House Minority Leader Craig Ford (D-Gadsden), but for different reasons. Rep. Ford claims it the responsibility of our elected officials in state government to produce a balanced budget in his statement on Sept. 6, in which he states, “I urge you to vote ‘No’ on Sept. 18 and urge the Governor to call a special session to require the Legislature to work together to find a permanent solution to our state’s funding needs.”

The resolution of this issue rests upon the population of our state. I encourage you to get the facts and to seek out information when deciding how you will vote. You need look no further then the internet for a wide range of information regarding the upcoming amendment.

It is your responsibility as students and Americans to practice democracy, the very traditions that keep our beliefs and common values intact. Be a voice and take a stand for whichever of the two sides of this issue you agree with.

Sports

Volleyball opens strong at Central Arkansas Invite

Daniel Porter
Sports Editor

Jacksonville State’s women’s volleyball team took part in the Central Arkansas Invitational last weekend. The Gamecocks cruised through their first day of matches sweeping both Jackson State and Arkansas- Pine Bluff. In the opening game against Jackson State, JSU posted a season high 15 blocks. Sophomore Nicole Merget from Canton, MI was

responsible for a team high 11 blocks for the first day. In the second match Jacksonville State turned up the offense as Hivya Leite, Kelsey Anderson, Jen Meyer and Nicole Merget all recorded more than seven kills. The Gamecocks finished the match with a season high 13 aces against Arkansas- Pine Bluff. On Sunday, JSU struggled winning the first two sets against South Dakota (25-16, 25-23) but the Coyotes fought back in the third set which was tied at 25

and went back and forth before South Dakota finally took a 31-29 win. The Coyotes would win the last two sets to beat the Gamecocks 3-2. The final match against the host school, undefeated Central Arkansas, saw the Gamecocks give a good fight but JSU was unable to had UCA its first loss of the season. JSU’s next matches are this weekend in the Purdue Active Ankle Challenge.



FCS Top 25

1. North Dakota State (2-0)
2. Sam Houston State (1-0)
3. Montana State (2-0)
4. James Madison (2-0)
5. Youngstown State (2-0)
6. Old Dominion (2-0)
7. Northern Iowa (1-1)
8. Appalachian State (1-1)
9. Wofford (2-0)
10. Eastern Washington (1-1)
11. Georgia Southern (1-1)
12. Towson (0-1)
13. Delaware (2-0)
14. Montana (1-1)
15. Illinois State (2-0)
16. Lehigh (2-0)
17. Stony Brook (2-0)
18. New Hampshire (1-1)
19. McNeese State (2-0)
20. Eastern Kentucky (1-1)
21. The Citadel (2-0)
22. Indiana State (1-1)
23. Stephen F. Austin (1-1)
24. Jacksonville State (1-1)
25. Maine (0-1)

JSU Next opponet
#20 ECU (1-1) Sept. 22 (away)

OVC Volleyball (overall rec.)

Southeast Missouri St (6-4)
Jacksonville State (6-5)
Morehead State (5-6)
SIUE (4-5)

OVC W. Soccer (overall rec.)

Jacksonville State (6-1-1)
SIUE (3-2-1)
Belmont (4-3)
Eastern Kentucky (3-3-1)

OVC W. Golf (Team score avg)

Morehead State (300)
Eastern Kentucky (309)
Murray State (310.7)
Jacksonville State (315.3)

OVC M. Golf (Team score avg.)

Morehead State (306.1)
Murray State (306.4)
Jacksonville State (307.1)
Eastern Kentucky (314.3)

Check out the updated
JSU athletics website
jsugamecocksports.com

JSU Men’s Golf claim second in Challenge

PAWLEYS ISLAND, S.C. – The Jacksonville State men’s golf team used a final-round 290 to wrap up a second-place finish at the Golfweek Program Challenge on Tuesday. The Gamecock men got a two-under 70 from senior Andres Schonbaum on Tuesday on the par-72, 6,940-yard True Blue Plantation to pace a 54-hole total of 864. Team champion Central Arkansas was the only team under par in the final round with a four-under 284 that gave the Bears a two-shot win. Schonbaum, a native of Cordoba, Argentina, bogeyed the first hole but played the last 17 at three

under to pull into a sixth-place tie with fellow Gamecock and sophomore Tomasz Anderson. Anderson, a native of Hertfordshire, England, and the defending individual champion from the event, got as close as one shot to the lead but ended up with a 74 that gave him a 54-hole score of 213. JSU sophomore Franco Grillo, who played in just a few events as a freshman last year, had a solid start to the season. The native of Buenos Aires, Argentina, used an even-par 72 on Tuesday to climb into a tie for 12th and finish the tournament with an even-par 216. Sophomore Dylan Shephard

carded a two-over 74 to finish tied for 53rd, while junior Dorian Fernandez’s 76 put him in a tie for 40th. The Gamecocks finished ahead of Troy, while Western Carolina, Austin Peay and James Madison all tied for fourth. The JSU men return to the links on Sunday at the Golfweek Conference Challenge on the Spirit Hollow Golf Course in Burlington, Iowa. The women’s Golf team plays on Oct. 14 at the Austin Peay Women’s Intercollegiate at the Clarksville Country Club in Clarksville, Tenn.

~ Sportswire

Jax State Football Sweeps OVC Weekly Honors

BRENTWOOD, Tenn. – Jacksonville State won all four Ohio Valley Conference Football Players of the Week awards on Sunday and is still the only school in OVC history to achieve all four honors in the same week. DaMarcus James was named the Offensive co-Player of the Week, Rashad Smith was named Defensive Player of the Week, Griffin Thomas earned Special Teams Player of the Week and Troymaine Pope was named Newcomer of the Week.



James Harkins/Special to Chanticleer
DeMarcus James scored first 2 career TDs vs Chat.

James carried the ball 16 times for 120 yards and a touchdown and caught a 30-yard touchdown. The Demopolis, Ala., native also had a key 13-yard rush that put the Gamecocks on the UTC 20-yard line with one second remaining in the game which setup Griffin Thomas’ 37-yard game winning field goal as time

expired. He is the second different Jacksonville State player to rush for and catch a touchdown pass in the same game this season. Smith had a career-high 15 tackles, including 11 solo stops in the Gamecock win on Saturday. The junior linebacker also forced a fumble. Smith became the first JSU player to have 15 or more tackles in a game since 2009 (Alexander Henderson). The Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., native currently ranks 14th nationally in tackles (11.5/game) and fourth in forced fumbles (1.00/game). Thomas connected on a pair of field goals, including the game-winner as time expired, in the win over the Mocs. The

Snellville, Ga., native connected on a 33-yard field goal midway through the first quarter to give the Gamecocks a 3-0 lead. Later it was his 37-yarder as time expired that gave Jax State its first victory of the season. It marked the first game-winning field goal of Thomas’ career. After leading the team in rushing (65 yards) in his collegiate debut at nationally-ranked Arkansas last week, Pope earned his first career start against Chattanooga on Saturday and netted his first career 100-yard game. The true freshman carried the ball 12 times for 105 yards, averaging 8.8 yards/carry against one of the top defensive teams in the Southern Conference. It marks the second-straight week Pope has earned the OVC Newcomer of the Week honor. Jacksonville State became the first school in Ohio Valley Conference history to win all four football Player of the Week awards during the 2008 season.

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Jacksonville State needs a new True Rivalry

Daniel Porter
Sports Editor

In football, especially in the South, rivalries are fierce, extremely competitive, and talked about all year round. If your team loses be ready to hear about it for some 360 days. Alabama and Auburn meet in the Iron Bowl annually, and as it’s one of the biggest rivalries in all of college football, it is by far the biggest in Alabama. Although, not too long ago another fierce battle raged once a year when the JSU Gamecocks met the Troy Trojans. Last Saturday night the Gamecocks beat UT-Chattanooga in a trilling game that literally came down to the final second. Unfortunately, for the foreseeable future this rivalry, which began over a century ago, looks to be over with no more games scheduled against one another. The first meeting between the teams that now are the Mocs and Gamecocks was in 1904. The



next meeting was two decades later in 1924 followed by two more meetings the following two years. There was another break in the series until in 1953 when the two schools met for the fifth time and would play almost annually for the next 30 seasons. After a 13-6 loss in 1983 the Gamecocks had to have the bitter taste of defeat in their mouths for 21 years until the rivalry resumed in 2004. JSU unloaded any bad feelings they may have had for UTC in the 65-20 win over the Mocs in 2004. While Chattanooga holds the overall series record lead at 25-12, take away the games prior to 1966, the first year JSU was actually JSU, and the series is 11-10 to UTC, almost even with the Gamecocks winning six of the final eight. Now to the dismay of fans and even head coach Jack Crowe, who has been outspoken about how much he believes true rivalries like JSU-UTC can impact a program, it looks like JSU will go without a regular rival unless something changes.



So why not bring back one of the best from the past? Jacksonville State and bitter rival Troy played every year from 1946 to 1990 and after a five year break played from 1995 to 2001 before the rivalry saw its last game to date. “Whup Troy” should once again fill JSU Stadium every so often. Yes Troy is an FBS school, but strength of schedule is no fear to JSU who is in the midst of visiting almost every SEC school and has future plans to face Auburn, LSU, UCF, and Michigan State. The Gamecocks need a true rivalry, and if Troy or Chattanooga can’t be resumed maybe it’s time for the birth of a new one. Middle Tennessee State rests in Murfreesboro, TN only 200 miles away. It’s an average FBS school that probably won’t ever be a BCS powerhouse and lies in the area that JSU visits often for many OVC games, for those wondering the schools have faced each other 22 times before.

Weekend Action

Friday: Sept. 14
Volleyball vs Purdue
and Bowling Green
Soccer vs Mercer

Saturday: Sept. 15
Volleyball vs UAB
Cross Country @
Vanderbilt Invitational

Sunday: Sept. 16
Soccer vs Samford
Men’s Golf
Golfweek Conference Challenge



Sportswire

Griffin Thomas kicks 37 yard game-winning field goal as time expires to beat Chattanooga; Thomas' first game winning field goal of career

Thomas Kicks Gamecocks past Rival UT- Chattanooga

Daniel Porter
Sports Editor

The Gamecocks earned their first win of the season Saturday night after Griffin Thomas nailed a 37 yard field goal as time expired in from of nearly 19,000 at Burgess Snow Field. The Gamecocks had lost what at one point was a 17 point lead and saw Chattanooga tie the game with a touch-down and two-point conversion with just 39 second remaining in the fourth.

Who knew a missed field goal by the Mocs just two minutes into the game on their first drive would come back to haunt them so much?

On the first play from scrimmage UTC freshman QB Jacob Huesman making his first career start rushed 62 yards to get inside JSU's 20. The Gamecocks would force a field goal try which was wide right.

Gamecocks' QB Marques Ivory would lead

a seven minute ensuing drive for JSU that made it inside the UTC 10 yard line but was backed up on a holding penalty. Thomas kicked a 33 yard FG to give JSU an early 3-0 lead. Huesman was leading another drive into JSU territory for UTC before junior Rashad Smith forced him to fumble. Pierre Warren scooped up the fumble and returned it 75 yards for a touchdown, the first career TD for the sophomore out of Prattville, AL.

Late in the second JSU took over at midfield when sophomore De-Marcus James took the second play of the drive 43 yards for a score on the handoff from Coty Blanchard. JSU led 17-0. Chattanooga would take one final drive down the field and on fourth and one on the one with only a second to go in the half UTC went for it and scored rather than taking a field goal.

After a FG by Chattanooga opened the second half JSU drove down and scored on

Blanchard's 30 yard strike to DeMarcus James who now had scored his first career TD's rushing and receiving in the same game. JSU led 24-10 at that point but Chattanooga, a scrappy team from the Southern Conference, wouldn't go away and with 39 second remaining were celebrating a successful two-point conversion that tied the game at 24.

Sophomore Gabriel Chamber returned the UTC squib kick to midfield where Ivory would lead a quick drive to the 20 for Thomas's kick.

JSU avoided a major let down and has to clean up the penalties having seven for 55 yards. UTC 'sHuesman, who looks to be a rising star, gained 357 total yards and 3 TDs between rushing and passing but JSU stopped him when it was necessary. For Jax State James and Troymaine Pope both rushed for over a hundred yards while Ivory passed for 157 yards, 70 to Alan Bonner who led with five catches. The Aussie Hamish MacInnes booted five punts, the longest 53 yards downing one inside the 20 and two more for touch-backs.



James Hawkins/Special to The Chanticleer
Final score Saturday night at Burgess Snow Field

NCAA Rifle Top 20

- 1 Texas Christian University
- 2 University of Kentucky
- 3 West Virginia University
- 4 University of Alaska Fairbanks
- 5 United States Military Academy
- 6 University of Mississippi
- 7 Jacksonville State University
- 8 Murray State University
- 9 University of Nevada Reno
- 10 Ohio State University
- 11 Nebraska University
- 12 United States Air Force Academy
- 13 University of Texas El Paso
- 14 University of Memphis
- 15 United States Naval Academy
- 16 Columbus State University
- 17 Akron University
- 18 North Carolina State University
- 19 Morehead State University
- 20 UT Martin

Jax State opens 7th in Rifle Coaches Poll

MURRAY, Ky. – After making its second consecutive trip to the NCAA Rifle Championships a season ago, the Jacksonville State rifle team begins the 2012-13 campaign ranked seventh in the Collegiate Rifle Coaches Association's Preseason Poll, announced by the organization on Monday.

JSU, who also claimed its sixth Ohio Valley Conference title in 2011-12, is the highest ranked OVC team in the poll. The Gamecocks are one spot in front of No. 8 Murray State, while Morehead State and UT Martin round out the poll at No. 19 and 20 respectively. Defending NCAA Champion Texas Christian starts the year as the favorite with the top spot.

The Gamecocks, under the guidance of veteran head coach Ron Frost, wrapped up 2011-12 placing seventh at the NCAA

Championships that were held in Columbus, Ohio. Frost returns a host of experienced shooters, led by junior Sam Muegge. Muegge won the OVC Smallbore crown last season and shared second place with teammate Monica Fyfe in the air rifle competition. Fyfe concluded her junior campaign on a high note by placing seventh in air rifle at the NCAA Championships.

Jax State begins the 2012-13 season on Sunday, Sept. 30 as it competes in the Ole Miss Invitational in Oxford, Miss. JSU will have three home competitions during the fall portion of the schedule as they host University of Texas at El Paso and Nevada on Oct. 13. UTEP enters the season at No. 13, while Nevada is listed ninth. JSU will host the annual Gamecock Invitational on Nov. 16-18.

~ Sportswire

Soccer finishes 1-1 at Gamecock Adidas Classic

Jordan Smith
Senior Staff Writer

Jacksonville State hosted the annual Gamecock Adidas Soccer Classic last weekend.

The Gamecocks played to a 1-1 draw in their game against McNeese State Friday night.

The Cowgirls struck first when Callie Albright scored with a header on a cross from Megan Rogers in the 21st minute. It was the first goal allowed by the Gamecocks in their previous 5 games.

The Gamecocks struck back when Courtney Hurt planted a goal from 40-yards away in the 53rd minute. It was her fourth goal of the season.

Neither team was able to score again in regulation or overtime and the match ended in a draw.

The Gamecocks had taken 18 shots but only managed to get four on goal. Coach Julie Carlson feels that the team was "impatient" and not taking the best quality of shots. "A little luck went our way," she said

when referring to the 40-yard goal by Hurt. With Friday's draw, the Gamecocks record grew to 5-1-1.

The Gamecocks returned to action on Sunday in the final game of the Gamecock Adidas Soccer Classic with a 2-0 win over South Carolina State.

The first goal came in the 25th minute when Kaitlin Manns' shot ricocheted off the post for Brianna Boutziouvis to score on the rebound. It was her third goal of the year.

The final goal came in the 71st minute when Hurt sent a cross from the corner that bounced off Jackie Rush's head onto Eli Arthur's head for the score. It was her first goal of the season.

The game turned physical as time wined down. SCSU's Sara Harris was issued a yellow card in the 62nd minute. From the 84th to the 89th minute, JSU's Manns, Myla Senff and Julia Binnicker all earned yellow cards.

"When they start lacking a bit of composure and character, you're going to see kids make dumb mistakes," said Coach Carlson, "on both sides."

There were 22 fouls throughout the game

and evenly divided between the two teams.

Sunday's 2-0 win is the Gamecock's fifth shut out of the season. Coach Carlson spoke highly of the play of her goalkeeper Katelyn Geddings citing her positioning, reaction and communication as reasons for the shut out.

The Gamecocks' record improved to 6-1-1. As they did Friday night, the Gamecocks finished tied with McNeese State in the final tournament standings. Both teams had a tournament record of 1-0-1. South Carolina State finished 1-1-0 and Jackson State finished 0-2.

JSU returns to action this Friday at home against Mercer University.



James Harkins/Special to The Chanticleer
Kaitlin Manns during JSU's 2-0 win over SC St.